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SUBJECT: ODDS AND ENDS

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EAGLEBURGER

1. SCALI'S WEEK IS UP TOMORROW. MAY I TELL THE WHITE
HOUSE IT HAS YOUR OK TO ANNOUNCE MOYNIHAN'S APPOINTMENT
EITHER TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY, INFORMING SCALI AT THE SAME
TIME?

2. UNFORTUNATELY YOU AND I DID NOT HAVE TIME TO DISCUSS
MY MEMO ON THE THINGS I THINK MOST NEED TO BE DONE FROM THE
M JOB. MOST OF IT CAN WAIT UNTIL YOUR RETURN, BUT I WOULD
LIKE YOUR OK TO GO AHEAD WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTRAL
POOL OF POSITIONS MANAGED FROM M. YOU WILL RECALL THAT IN
MY MEMO I INDICATED THAT I HAD PUT A LOCK ON ALL OF THE
POSITIONS THAT HAD BEEN FREED BY THE CLOSING OF OUR
EMBASSIES IN CAMBODIA AND SAIGON. YOU ALSO RECALL MY
COMPLAINT ABOUT HOW DIFFICULT IT IS TO FIND POSITIONS IN
A HURRY TO MEET NEW DEMANDS. THUS, WHAT I WOULD LIKE YOUR
OK ON NOW IS TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO INSTITUTIONALIZE
A CENTRAL COMPLEMENT OF POSITIONS TO BE ALLOCATED AS M

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MAY DETERMINE. I MUST SAY, AS WELL, THAT IF YOU LET ME

MOVE AHEAD ON THIS CONCEPT, IT WILL ALSO MEAN THAT M WILL
NEED TO HAVE AUTHORITY TO WITHDRAW POSITIONS FROM EMBASSIES
AND BUREAUS WHEN THEY ARE NO LONGER NEEDED, SINCE THE

BASIC CONCEPT WOULD BE SIMILAR TO THAT OF A CENTRAL BANK
WHICH MAINTAINS A FLOW OF POSITIONS BOTH IN AND OUT. THE
REASON FOR BOTHERING YOU ON THIS NOW IS THAT I WILL NEED
TO COVER US WITH OMB QUICKLY, BEFORE THEY BEGIN TO ARGUE
THAT WE SHOULD REDUCE THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS WE ASK FOR
IN THE FY '76 BUDGET BY THE NUMBER WE HAVE LOST IN SOUTH-
EAST ASIA. OMB IS LIKELY TO STICK THEIR NOSE INTO THIS
BUSINESS FAIRLY SOON IF WE DON'T HEAD THEM OFF.

3. WE HAVE MET ON THE OECD AND IEA SPEECHES. LORD AND
ENDERS REDOING BOTH IN LINE WITH YOUR COMMENTS, AFTER
WHICH WIN AND I WILL SIT DOWN TO TRY TO PUT BOTH INTO
SHAPE. WE WILL HAVE NEW DRAFTS TO YOU BY LATE TOMORROW
NIGHT WASHINGTON TIME. INGERSOLL

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